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Dale – I understand that in the interest of efficiency and minimizing the number of meetings on related topics, it has been suggested that meetings on the MOU and the Corps 404 process be combined, rather than having just DWR and the Corps meet on 404, and the larger group meet on the MOU. I think this makes a great deal of sense, especially in light of the demands on the Corps' limited resources (Mike Nepstadt). If the process is to go in this direction of combining the efforts, I think it will be important to include all three federal NEPA lead agencies. That will avoid fragmented decision-making and the potential to revisit issues. And I think that having all the agencies present should not result in making the meetings less productive.

On the subject of the MOU, I believe that the process is awaiting comments from DWR. Can you fill us in on the status?

Thanks.

David